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## REMARKS

Applicants request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the foregoing proposed amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants have cancelled claims 11-50. Claims 1-10 and 51 -63 are pending.

### *Section § 112 Rejections*

Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50, stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

By the present Amendment, Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50 have been cancelled. Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50, under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph is believed to be obviated.

Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50, stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

By the present Amendment, Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50 have been cancelled. Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50, under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph is believed to be obviated.

### *35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 Rejections*

Claims 1-10 and 51-63 are the only remaining claims in the present case, and these claims are not rejected over prior art.

Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 (b) and 103(a). By the present Amendment, Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50 have been

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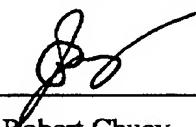
cancelled. Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 11-21, 42-44, 47, 48 and 50, under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 (b) and 103(a), is believed to be obviated.

### SUMMARY

The rejections in the Office Action have been discussed and Applicants believe that the present amendments have overcome these rejections.

In light of the amendments, issuance of a Notice of Allowance at an early date is earnestly solicited.

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